

### IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification, specifically paragraph 7 and the Abstract (paragraph 37) as follows:

[0007] The invention provides a pallet formed of a plurality of sections each of which having upper, lower ~~and side~~ surfaces and one or more side surfaces. Channels for receiving connector elements are provided in each of the pallet sections and extend through one or more side surfaces into the pallet sections. The channels are adapted for alignment with similar channels in another one of the sections. A plurality of elongated connector elements are dimensioned to fit closely in the aligned channels. Each of the connectors extend between at least two sections tightly fitting within the aligned connector receiving channels of each of the sections.

[0037] A pallet is formed of two or more sections formed of plastic materials. The sections are adjustably fixed together using elongated connectors dimensioned to fit closely in channels with each of the connectors extending between a channel of one section and a channel of an adjoining section. The sections and the connectors are adjustably secured together by ~~means of mechanical~~ fasteners. Spaced apertures are provided through each of the channels and similarly spaced apertures are provided through each of the connectors whereby the dimensions of the pallet are adjustable. Pallets are provided that can be nested in an inverted orientation without increasing the thickness of the inverted pair greater than the thickness of a single pallet.

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